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## World Series ambience @ Busters Garage

### Controversy may be rampant over World Series Game 3-but all agree Aruban Xander Bogaerts performed like a superstar

ORANJESTAD -- The third game of the World Series 2013 demonstrated for the uninitiated that the St. Louis Cardinals have their tens of thousands of fans, who lined the bleachers of Busch Stadium, but they were pretty scarce on Aruba.

Island sports bars were filled with vacationers and Arubans, who are experiencing a full pandemic of "World Series Fever" and in particular, "Xander Bogaerts Fever." "I was lucky to find this Boston Red Sox tee shirt with Bogaerts' number and name here in Aruba," explains long-time visitor to the island and fanatical Sox fan, Michael Price. "Back at the

logo shop in Fenway Park, they are totally sold out. You can find a shirt for any other player, but Xander is so popular there, his shirts are priceless." Whether having grown up on Aruba or in Boston, "Xander Fever" has indiscriminately infected tens of thousands, who were practically in tears over the results of the third game.

Undoubtedly, it was one of the tensest, most suspenseful ball games many fans have ever experienced, much of which may be due to the decisions of home plate umpire Jim Joyce. He has been labeled both "The Best Umpire" and "The WORST Umpire" in baseball. A Face-



book page is devoted to the latter, fans of the sport feel so strongly about it.

Islanders who had packed into Buster's Garage to catch the game on Saturday night would be very happy to escort Joyce to competent optometrist, as they felt he was sorely in need of an eye-examination, well before the final ninth-inning call that won the Cardinals the game and so outraged Boston fans. Frequently disagreeing with Joyce's judgment regarding balls and strikes, which were certainly not in the Red Sox's favor, his last call of obstruction on the crucial attempted double play at third and home that cost Boston the game, will be burning up

the forums and Facebook pages for some days.

A team's performance away from their home field is always a touchy thing, but Boston had already lost game two to the Cardinals in their

home park, before continuing at Busch Stadium in St. Louis on Saturday night. The home team put two runs on the scoreboard right from the start, which certainly made Boston fans gloomy.

Finally, in the fifth inning, Xander Bogaerts demonstrated why everyone here and in Boston is so excited about his rookie performance and his being the first Aruban player to ever make it to the World Series. His slicing liner to right-center, the first good hit Boston had against Cardinal's starting pitcher Joe Kelly, escaped center fielder Jon Jay. Right fielder Carlos Beltran missed it as well, allowing Xander to pour it on and make it all the way to third base.

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## Colegio Arubano San Nicolas wins 1st prize! FIFA/Coca-Cola world cup trophy tours teaches recycling can be fun and creative



First Prize winners Colegio Aruban San Nicolas

cans and plastic bottles to create an artwork with the upcoming World Cup as the subject. Participating schools included Mon Plaisir Mavo, St. Antonius College, EPB Hato, EPB San Nicolas, Colegio Arubano Oranjestad, Colegio Aruban San Nicolas, IBERO American High School and Filomena College. Their submissions were displayed during a festive event on Friday evening, October 25, in the Plaza Tur-

ismo in Oranjestad.

Judging the works was internationally renowned Aruban artists Ryan Oduber, Rocila Acosta of Aruba Bank and Ricardo Dijkhoff, Director of the Aruba Soccer Federation. They admit it was a very tough decision, and commended all the students and their mentoring teachers on their ingenuity in deploying recycled materials.

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Second place EPB San Nicolas



Third Place EPB Hato

This is the third time that the authentic FIFA World Cup™ Trophy is going on tour around the world. The 2013/2014 Trophy Tour will visit 89 countries during the 267-day tour. The Trophy Tour began its journey in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on September 12, departing from the famous Christ the Redeemer statue. The FIFA World Cup™ Trophy will travel around the world for 9 months before returning to the country of origin, which will host the 2014 FIFA World Cup. The total distance the tour will cover is 149,576.78 KM (92,942.702 Miles) or more than three times the circumference of Earth. The third FIFA World Cup Trophy Tour by Coca-Cola is in route to Aruba, and will arrive on November 2.

To engage and involve island secondary school students in this exciting event, Meta Corp, bottlers and distributors of Coca-Cola on Aruba, conducted a Recycled Art Contest, inspiring creativity and environmental awareness.

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## Hollywood Smokehouse declared the best of the best during Battle of the Food Trucks 2013



Lined up to sample 'Most Original' entry from Tia Rosa

ORANJESTAD -- On Aruba, late night munchies are often satisfied by a trip to a favorite food truck, a beloved tradition offering a surprising wealth of cuisines, as was evidence by the Second Annual Battle of the Food Trucks in

number of choices to satisfy their craving for regional and international cuisine. Last year's winner, Tia Rosa, was back offering Patacon, mashed green plantains, seasoned and fried, among a number of other local dishes, which won them the medal for "Most Original Dish."

Among the many trucks serving mammoth Colombian style hamburgers, Chalo Burger went home with the third place medal. However, it was Hollywood Smokehouse, with their exotic

menu of Beef Brisket Tacos with sautéed onions and cumin-ranch bbq sauce, Fish Tacos with roasted corn and black beans with cilantro-garlic aioli and Korean Pulled



Grand Prize winners Hollywood Smokehouse

Pork Tacos with Korean BBQ sauce and Asian slaw, all served on fresh, home-made tortillas, which claimed the top spot among the tough competition. Hollywood Smokehouse owners and husband and wife team of Tina and Michael Bislick shared the honors with Jennifer Coster-Aldridge. Hollywood Smokehouse Food Truck is located next to J.C. sports bar on the main road from Palm



Doing some sampling



Chalo Burger claims third prize

Beach to Noord, across from the little market and Lekker Chinese Restaurant.

This festive event also featured a trip to Italy with Il Buongusto, along with the most tasty and popular Aruban and regional cuisine from Piet Super Snack, Gio JJ Burger, Ricuras, Candela Grill, Cocolishi Street Food, Par y Pone, and Mr. Potato Head.

Until midnight on both nights, a roster of Aruba's most popular bands, including Youth Extreme, Rincon Boyz, Bachata Mambo, Le Groove, Upgrade Music, Sonic Lab and Honey Pot performed, insuring a lively, festive ambience.

Partnering in this authentic taste of is-

land hospitality and enthusiasm for great food was the Tropicana Resort, Presidente Beer, distributed by Aruba Trading Company and Tropical Bottling.

All the funds garnered from staging this fun event in the parking lot of the Trop Casino will be donated to the Wilhelmina Cancer Foundation, which assists patients needing treatment, particularly when they must travel abroad.

By Rosalie Klein



the Trop Casino parking lot on Friday and Saturday of this past weekend.

Two days and more than a dozen entries offered those attending a head-spinning





## FIFA/Coca-Cola world cup trophy tours teaches recycling can be fun and creative

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Second place winning entry from EPB San Nicolas



3rd place winner EPB Hato



The third place winning entry was a huge replication of the FIFA World Cup trophy by EPB Hato, which

they displayed via computer, as it was too large to transport. Second place was claimed by EPB San Nicolas, and the Grand Prize went to the students of Colegio Arubano in San Nicolas.

The first place winners will receive VIP treatment at the gala event being conducted for the arrival of the FIFA World Cup trophy at the Westin Resort in Palm Beach on November 2.

They will have their photos taken with the trophy and the major international soccer star, yet to be named, who will accompany it to Aruba.

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## Yellow Fever Mosquito Prevention team begins island control today!

During the entire year the Yellow Fever Mosquito Prevention team (GKMB) has been actively visiting homes around the island. During the dry season and in the rainy season GKMB puts emphasis on mosquito breeding sites. Hence, as of today, October 28th, they will begin visiting homes in our community which in the past was known to have mosquito hatcheries. Extra emphasis is needed to be given during this rainy season we are entering now.

GKMB will issue a warning when they find a hatchery at a home. A fine is the next step if they discover a breeding site more than once at the same home. The fine is Afls.50 for every mosquito hatchery found.

The GKMB controllers will pass through different districts around the island for the routine controls and to identify if there are any mosquito hatcheries. Special attention is placed on the mosquito carrying the Aedes aegypti which transmits the Dengue disease. In the event they find a hatchery, they will issue a letter of warning to the home owner and also instruct them how to get rid of this.

After several weeks the controllers will return to the same home to control whether the problem has been resolved. In the event that the hatcheries have not been removed the Depart-

ment of Public Health will get involved and levy a fine to the homeowner.

Some Common places for mosquitoes to hatch around your house:

**Fishponds:** Those most delightful of water features can be home to more than just your fish. Mosquitoes find this to be an ideal breeding ground, especially if the pond is in a state of disuse. This can not only increase the local mosquito population, but it also makes you very unpopular with your neighbors.

**Swimming pools:** Most of the time, this isn't a problem when the pool is maintained. But when a pool is neglected, it becomes a large pool of stagnant water, and it becomes a large breeding ground for mosquitoes as well.

**Containers:** Kids leave them out, and so do you. Whether they're your boy's dump truck, empty flower pots, wheelbarrows, little plastic buckets, the rule is the same: If it can hold water for more than a few days, it can be a breeding ground for mosquitoes.

**Old tires:** Most people don't realize how perfect this is for mosquitoes. People leave their old tires outside, they catch rain, and it's almost impossible to empty out all the water inside (seriously, have you tried? Not an easy

task). If even a little water is left, that's enough for mosquitoes to breed in.

**Clogged rain gutter:** It happens every year. The trees lose their leaves, dropping them onto your roof, and the yearly rains drop the leaves into your gutter, creating little pools of standing water above your heads. They last longer than you realize, and when mosquito season comes around, they have the perfect place to breed.

**Bird bath:** They're pretty, they attract birds...and mosquitoes, unfortunately. Solution: This is pretty easy. All you really have to do is agitate the water that's inside of the bird bath every few days. In plain English: Wash it out with your hose!

The Department of Public Health is reminding everyone that the campaign dubbed..."Sin criadero no tin sangura, sin sangura no tin dengue," ("Without mosquito hatcheries there are no mosquitoes, and without mosquitoes there is no Dengue") is ongoing. The Department's primary focus is on providing information regarding the Dengue disease, its effects and what to do in the event you get the disease. However, their major focus is on prevention!

For more information consult their website at [www.dengue.aw](http://www.dengue.aw) or call the Department of Public Health at 522-4200 or GKMB at 585-3325 / 585-5533.



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## Bogaerts performed like a superstar...

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Boston, Buster's and THE MORNING NEWS are number one with these fans

Jarrod Saltalamacchia drew a walk to set up runners on first and third with no outs. Stephen Drew struck out, then Mike Carp hit an show chopper to second base, but the Cardinals did not manage to make the double play, and Xander came home to put Boston on the scoreboard, 2-1. His hit made him the 3rd-youngest player with a triple in World Series history. Ty Cobb & Mickey Mantle were the only ones younger to do so. This energized the Boston team.

"Do SOMETHING!!" shouted a Boston fan, and Xander did, becoming the youngest player in history to record a game-tying hit in the eighth inning or later of a World Series game, thanks to



Boston and Bogaerts fan Michael Price cheers on his hero

his two run RBI single off Trevor Rosenthal.

This last minute reprieve made for a white-knuckle ninth inning for fans of both teams, and Jim Joyce's final call of "obstruction" as Boston third baseman Will Middlebrooks became entan-



St Louis natives Brian, Stephanie, Abby and Jon are all smiles

gled with Allen Craig after the Cardinals player ploughed into him, will be a final play that will evoke heated discussion for some days to come. Though clearly tagged out in his bid for home and the winning run, Joyce declared

Craig safe because of the melee at third base, allowing St. Louis to walk away with

the win, and a one game lead over Boston.

Two young couples who just arrived from St. Louis for a week on Aruba were astounded by the emotion and energy of the fans at Buster's Garage on Saturday night, perhaps the only smiling faces at the game's outcome. Abby, Brian, Stephanie and



Go Red Sox!

Jon explained, "We heard this was a great place to catch the game, but we never expected to be like being transported to Fenway Park and surrounded by Boston fanatics. What an experience!"

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Islanders enjoy the game



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## Obama 'aware of Merkel spying since 2010': media

BERLIN (AFP) - US President Barack Obama was personally informed of phone tapping against German Chancellor Angela Merkel which may have begun as early as 2002, according to media reports stoking anger over a spiralling espionage scandal.

Bild am Sonntag newspaper quoted US intelligence sources as saying that National Security Agency chief Keith Alexander had briefed Obama on the operation against Merkel in 2010.

"Obama did not halt the operation but rather let it continue," the newspaper quoted a high-ranking NSA official as saying.

But NSA spokeswoman Vaneé Vines, in Washington, flatly denied the claims.

Alexander "did not discuss with President Obama in 2010 an alleged foreign intelligence operation involving

German Chancellor Merkel, nor has he ever discussed alleged operations involving Chancellor Merkel," Vines said.

"News reports claiming otherwise are not true," she added. News weekly Der Spiegel reported that leaked NSA documents showed that Merkel's phone had appeared on a list of spying targets since 2002, and was still under surveillance weeks before Obama visited Berlin in June.

As a sense of betrayal spread in many world capitals allegedly monitored by the NSA, European leaders were calling for a new deal with Washington on intelligence gathering that would maintain an essential alliance while keeping the fight against terrorism on track.

Germany will send its own spy chiefs to Washington soon to demand answers.

## Britain braces for worst storm in a decade

LONDON (AFP) - Britain was braced on Sunday for its worst storm in a decade, with heavy rain and winds of more than 80 miles (130 kilometres) an hour set to batter the south of the country.

The Met Office national weather centre warned of falling trees, damage to buildings and disruption to power supplies and transport when the storm hits overnight to Monday.

### FARC releases former US Marine held in Colombia

WASHINGTON, (AFP) - The United States welcomed Sunday the release of a former US Marine who had been held for several weeks by leftist rebels in Colombia. "We welcome the release today of Kevin Scott Sutay from captivity at the hands of the FARC," Secretary of State John Kerry said in a statement. "The United States is profoundly grateful to the government of Colombia and commends its tireless efforts to secure his release. We offer special thanks to President Juan Manuel Santos for his assistance."

Between 20 and 40 millimetres (0.8 to 1.6 inches) of rain is predicted to fall within six to nine hours starting on Sunday evening, with a chance of localised flooding.

It will be followed by widespread gusts of 60 to 70 miles an hour across southern England and south Wales on Monday, with winds reaching more than 80 miles an hour in some areas, forecasters say.

The Met Office issued an "amber" wind warning for the region, the third highest in a four-level scale, and urged people to delay their Monday morning journeys to work to avoid the worst of the bad weather.

London's rush-hour looked set to be chaotic after train companies First Capital Connect, C2C, Greater Anglia, Southern and Gatwick Express services all said they would not run services on Monday until it was safe to do so.

Major airports also warned of disruption to flights with London-hub Heathrow expecting approximately 30 cancellations.



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## Singer, songwriter Lou Reed dead at 71 - Obit



NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - American singer-songwriter Lou Reed, a pioneer who melded folk music's lyricism with punk rock's energy and darkness died Sunday of complications following liver surgery.

Viewed by many as the godfather of punk, Brooklyn-born Reed forged a new cul-

tural universe with his arthouse band the Velvet Underground, in an age of evolving youth identity.

Formed by Reed and John Cale, the band was popular throughout the 1960s. And its frontman's association of the era's pop art luminary Andy Warhol helped land a hip and burgeoning following, with the colorful artist doing the instantly iconic cover art for the band's self-titled debut album.

Warhol became the Velvet's manager in 1965, and they provided music for his multimedia roadshow the Exploding Plastic Inevitable, and became the house band at his famed New York studio, The Factory.

Reed became not only

rock's most famous chronicler of city life, but had an indelible influence on generations of rock bands such as REM, Nirvana and Sonic Youth, among many others.

One such artist, Lenny Kravitz, led the tributes on Twitter.

"Lou, rest in peace on the wild side," he tweeted, while Hollywood stars also wrote messages of condolence.

Reed left the Velvet in 1970 and among his best-known works was "Walk on the Wild Side," an ode to the underground sex- and drug-fueled lifestyle of a cross-dresser, with explosive lyrics, an unforgettable drum-and-bass shuffle and controversial "colored girls" backup singers.

The Velvet Underground was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1996.



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## International News

### Iran hangs 16 in reprisal for Pakistan border killings

TEHRAN (AFP) - Iran said it executed 16 "rebels" Saturday in reprisal after gunmen killed at least 14 border guards near the border with Pakistan, in a rugged area often rocked by violence.

The ambush was staged overnight in the mountains of Sistan-Baluchestan, a province in southeastern Iran.

The province is home to a large community of minority Sunni Muslims, unlike the rest of Shiite-dominated Iran, where drug traffickers and Sunni militants operate.

The unnamed source identified the gunmen as "bandits or rebels opposed to the Islamic republic".

But Deputy Interior Minister Ali Abdollahi said the guards were killed in an ambush set by Iranians who were "members of hostile groups".

"Three soldiers have been taken hostage and taken to the other side of the border in Pak-

istan," he said, adding Iran would "take measures to secure their release".

In retaliation for the attack, the Iranian authorities said they hanged 16 "rebels" held at a prison in the region.

Pakistan's charge d'affaires was received at the Iranian foreign ministry to receive an official demand that Islamabad "act firmly with officials and members of terrorist groups who have fled to Pakistani territory," IRNA reported.

The border region has seen bloody clashes during the past few years.

Officials say more than 4,000 police officers and soldiers have been killed there in three decades of fighting with drug traffickers.

Iran is a major transit route for drugs that originate in Afghanistan and are trafficked across its territory, much of them bound for Western countries.

People smugglers also use the route to traffick illegal immigrants to Europe, via Iran and Turkey.

Officials say Iran has spent millions of dollars to build a "wall" along lengthy stretches of its 1,700-kilometre (1,050-mile) eastern border with Afghanistan and Pakistan in a bid to stop the trafficking.

Work on the barrier began in the 1990s and is expected to be completed before the end of next year.

The Islamic republic says it is fighting a deadly war against drug traffickers who make up half of its prison population.

But Sunni militant group Jundallah (Soldiers of God) has also launched attacks on civilians and officials in Sistan-Baluchestan, including a December 2010 suicide bombing in the city of Shabahr that killed 39 people.

### Few Saudi women get behind the wheel after threats

RIYADH (AFP) - Only a few Saudi women braved official threats of punishment and got behind the wheel Saturday in defiance of a ban on driving, but organisers say their campaign will continue.

Undeterred by the warnings of unspecified sanctions, and increased security in Riyadh, several women posted videos of themselves driving on Saturday.

At least four videos were posted on YouTube, including from the capital, and rights activist Naseema Assada said three others had driven in Eastern Province to show women's "determination."

Activists had originally issued a call on social media networks for women across the ultra-conservative Muslim kingdom to drive their cars on Saturday to challenge the ban.

"Had there not been a threat from the interior ministry, more women would have responded," said Assada, who did not herself drive so that "authorities would not consider the move a challenge" to the ministry orders.

More women are expected behind the wheel in the coming days if authorities take no measures against those who defied the ban on Saturday, activists say.

"I am against women driving in the kingdom," read a message posted on the website <http://www.oct26driving.com>. "We do not allow women at all to drive in Saudi."

Saudi women are forced to cover from head to toe and need permission from a male guardian to travel, work and marry.

### 9/11 victims suffered 'torture,' not Guantanamo detainees: families

GUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL BASE (AFP) - Allegations by five accused 9/11 plotters that they were tortured in US detention have outraged many relatives of those who died in the attacks, who said their loved ones suffered a far worse fate.

Lawyers for Guantanamo Bay detainees argued this week their clients should not face the death penalty because their rights were violated during alleged torture in secret CIA prisons.

But those charges have been greeted with indignation from the ten or so people at pretrial hearing here whose loved ones perished in the collapse of the World Trade Center towers in Manhattan, or who died in the attacks in

Pennsylvania and at the Pentagon.

"We're not here to try to change America, but we're here to get justice," said Richard Costanzo, whose sister died in the September 11, 2001 attack on the Pentagon.

"To listen to them put the US on trial instead of these five men is outrageous," said Costanzo.

Defense attorneys at pretrial hearings this week for the men, invoked the United Nations Convention Against Torture, telling the judge that the death penalty should be taken off at the table because of their clients' treatment in detention.

But Jim Jenca, who was badly hurt when hijacked passenger jets were flown into the World Trade Center causing

the collapse of its twin towers, insists that he has been traumatized, too, by having lived through the horrors of 9/11.

"I have more (scars) on my body. I was tortured," on September 11, said Jenca.

Prosecutor Clay Trivett likewise argued that the case was about "the summary execution of 2,976 people," not torture.

If the defendants felt they were "mistreated in US custody" they could file a complaint in federal court, he said.

The families at the hearing seethe at the notion that the men accused of killing their loved ones could, in their minds, receive more humane treatment than those who died in the terror attacks 12 years ago.

### Hundreds march in Netherlands to support 'racist Black Pete'



THE HAGUE (AFP) - Hundreds of people marched in the Netherlands on Saturday to show their support for "Black Pete", the traditional Christmas sidekick of Saint Nicholas, who has been labelled as racist by critics. "Black Pete" accompanies Saint Nicholas during a children's festival on December 5, when the Dutch give gifts to each other. The character, who arrives on a gift-filled boat from Spain, is typically dressed in a gaudy medieval costume and afro wig, with his face painted black and lips red, prompting charges of racism. Although opinion is divided in the Netherlands, a Facebook petition set up in support of the tradition had hit more than two million "likes" by Saturday. The annual festival dates back to the sixteenth century, but the first appearance of "Black Pete" occurred in the 1850s.



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## Health & Living

# Stroke affecting ever younger people: research

PARIS (AFP) - Ever younger people are suffering strokes, according to two studies published on Thursday that warned death, disability and illness from strokes could double by 2030, partly due to unhealthy lifestyles.

There had been a 25 percent increase in the number of strokes among those aged between 20 and 64 over the past 20 years -- now making up 31 percent of the total compared to 25 percent before 1990, said the studies in The Lancet medical journal.

Under-75's now account for 62 percent of new strokes, 45 percent of deaths, and 72 percent of illness and disability.

The researchers found that more than 83,000 people aged 20 and younger suffered

strokes every year -- about 0.5 percent of the total.

And they warned the shift in stroke burden towards younger people would continue unless urgent steps are taken to get people to improve unhealthy lifestyles -- mainly by reducing consumption of salt, calories, alcohol and tobacco.

They showed that in 2010, 61.5 percent of disability and 51.7 percent of deaths were caused by haemorrhagic strokes -- which occur when a weakened blood vessel ruptures and is mainly caused by high blood pressure and unhealthy lifestyles.

"Most affected are people younger than 75 years and those living in low-income and middle-income countries where incidence of haemor-

rhagic stroke has risen by around 19 percent," said a statement.

Haemorrhagic strokes were half as common as ischaemic

strokes, which are caused by an obstruction within a blood vessel supplying blood to the brain.

The studies warned that dis-

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## Sci-Tech

### New technology to block spying on Swiss ministers

GENEVA (AFP) - Switzerland will soon roll out a new technology to better shield communications within the government from prying eyes, President Ueli Maurer said in an interview published Sunday.

"We will introduce a new technology in the coming days or weeks, (which) will improve security in the government," Maurer told the Schweiz am Sonntag weekly.

Refusing to provide more details on what the new technology consisted of and how it would work, Maurer said the decision to deploy it was made before the latest reports of US spying on world leaders.

Those reports, including allegations that Washington has been tapping German Chan-

cellor Angela Merkel's mobile phone, made clear "what intelligence agencies are capable of today, and that apparently anyone who is interesting must expect eavesdropping," he said.

In a separate interview in the SonntagsZeitung weekly, Maurer warned that the scandal risked "undermining confidence between states".

"We don't know if we're only seeing the tip of the iceberg or if other governments are acting in the same ruthless manner," he said.

Maurer said that Swiss ministers have always been cautious about their communications and mobile phones are banned from all government meetings.

For sensitive calls, "I do it on a landline, which is considered less risky," he told Schweiz am Sonntag, adding that ministers try as far as possible to discuss sensitive issues in person and not over the phone.

Maurer said he rarely uses his mobile phone, and only for personal calls.

The Swiss president said there was so far was no evidence of US spying on him or other members of the government, and acknowledged they were likely far less interesting to spy on than Merkel.

But he added, "I wouldn't rule anything out today."

### Anti-NSA protest calls for end to US spying

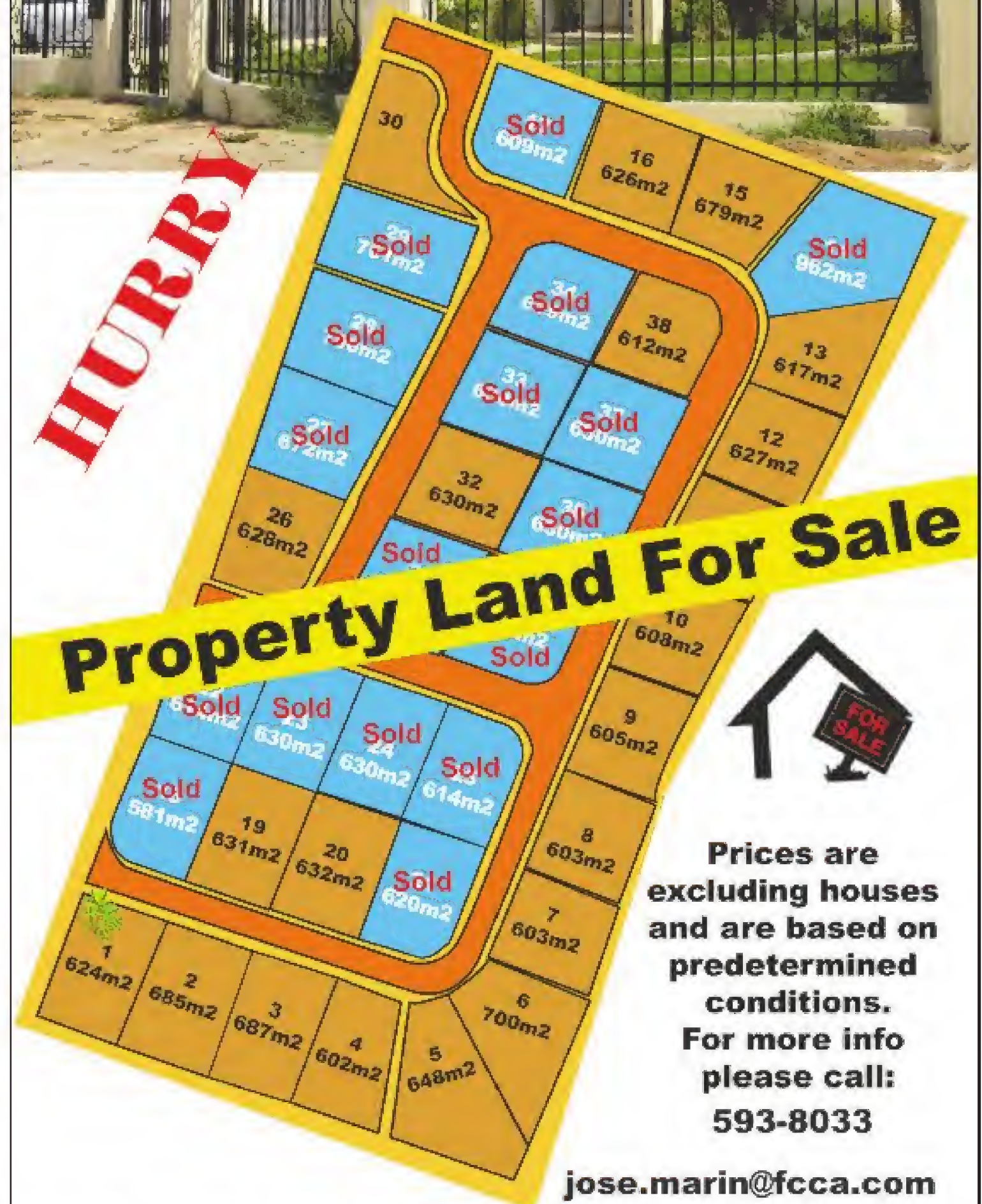
WASHINGTON (AFP) - Several thousand protesters gathered Saturday in Washington to demand a new American law limiting the National Security Agency's surveillance programs seen as encroaching on private life.

The protest comes amid a widening scandal revealing

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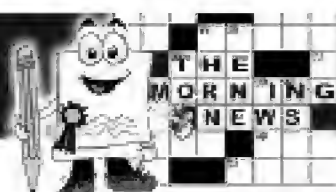
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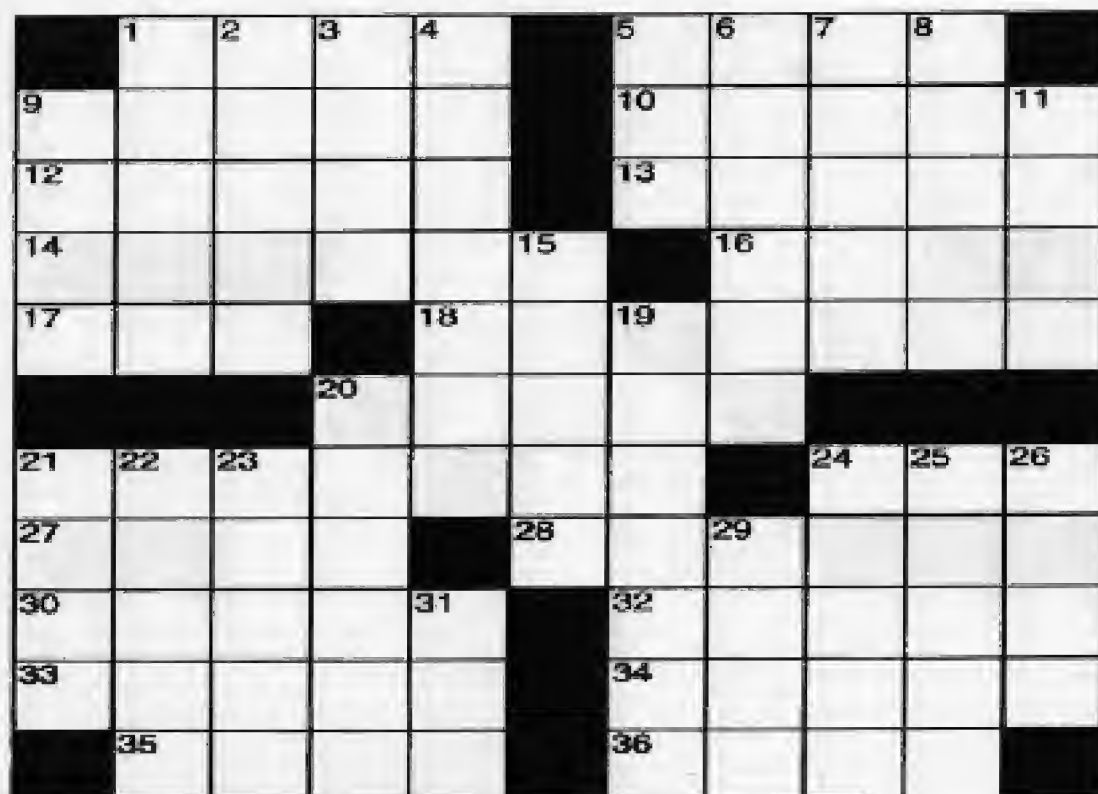
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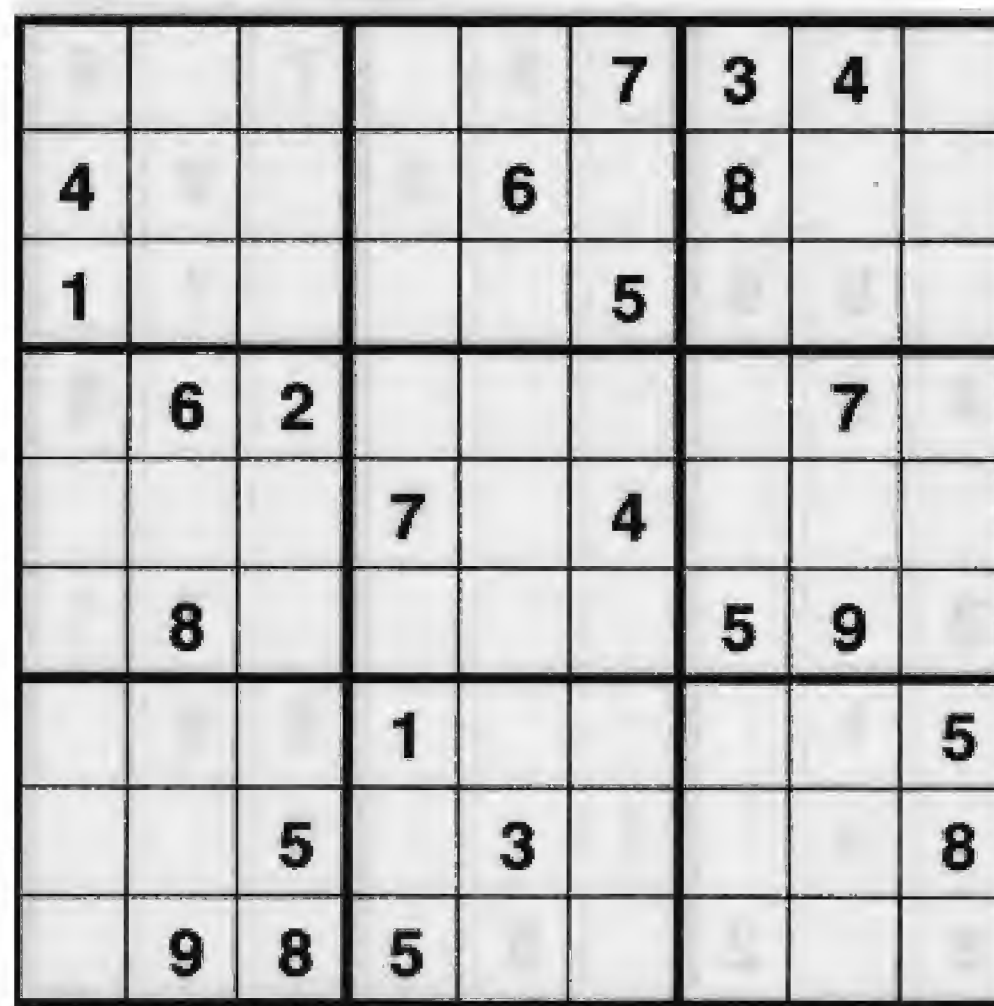
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## US tax probe leaves Swiss bankers afraid to travel: report

GENEVA (AFP) - As a United States hunt for tax evaders and their accomplices gains momentum, many Swiss bankers are afraid to go abroad for fear of arrest, one business leader said in an interview published Sunday.

"In my opinion, some 1,000 Swiss bankers no longer dare to go to the United States, or even travel abroad," Martin Naville, the head of the Swiss-American Chamber of Commerce, was quoted as saying by Le Matin Dimanche weekly.

Swiss banks and industry representatives are increasingly cautioning bankers who have worked with US clients to refrain from travelling outside Switzerland, the paper reported.

Swiss banks are believed to have accepted tens of billions of undeclared dollars from US citizens, though they now refuse such money, and a number of banks are under US investigation.

The US has not made public

which individual bankers it is probing, but according to Le Matin Dimanche, about 30 names are on the list.

Recently however, "the United States has proven it can strike where and when it likes, and now with the help of European countries", the paper wrote, describing widespread paranoia throughout the banking industry.

The report comes just over a week after the arrest in Italy of a former high-ranking UBS executive alleged to have helped US customers conceal their assets.

Raoul Weil, the 54-year-old ex-chairman of UBS's global wealth management service, was indicted by a US federal grand jury in 2008 for his alleged role in overseeing the US cross-border business.

The indictment alleges that Weil and co-conspirators helped US customers hide around \$20 billion (15 billion euros) in assets from tax authorities.

The Swiss national, who left UBS after the 2008 indictment, has always denied the charges and is reportedly fighting his extradition from Italy to the US.

The Swiss Bank Employees Association told Le Matin Dimanche it was advising all bankers who have regularly visited clients in the US "to abstain from travelling".

And some Geneva banks are urging employees living on the French side of the border to settle in Switzerland instead to avoid problems, one banker who wished to remain anonymous told the paper.

## FINANCE

### Dutch Tax office faces €273m bill for wrongly-paid housing, child benefits

THE HAGUE - The tax office has paid out hundreds of millions of euros in healthcare, child, housing and other benefits which people were not entitled to, RTL news reports on Friday.

In total, €1.5bn has been paid to people not entitled to the money since the supple-

mentary benefit system was set up in 2006. The total benefit bill since then is €80bn.

The benefits are paid in advance and verified later, leading to widespread fraud, RTL news says. Earlier this year, it emerged that Bulgarian gangs were exploiting loopholes to claim child and housing bene-

fits running into tens of thousands of euros.

Of the wrongly paid out cash, €273m cannot be recovered and €200m will be difficult to claim back without legal action, RTL says. The cabinet is making plans to simplify the benefit system and make it more fraud-resistant.

### Dutch central bank faces damages claims over 2009 DSB bankruptcy

THE HAGUE - The official receivers dealing with DSB Bank, which went bankrupt in 2009, are planning to sue the Dutch central bank for failing to properly supervise the privately-held bank.

Claims pending against the collapsed bank total €3.7bn, of which €1.16bn has been paid, as the bank's own creditors make payments. No damages

claim has yet been set, the FD said.

Receiver Rutger Schimpeninck told the Financieel Dagblad this position has been strengthened by statements made by former central bank chief Nout Wellink in 2010. At that time Wellink told a parliamentary inquiry that, with hindsight, tougher conditions should have been at-

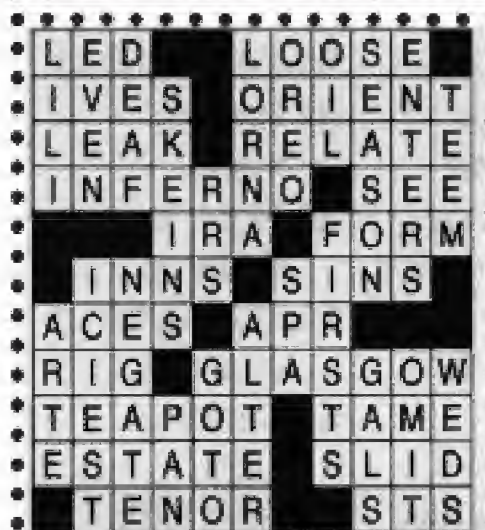
tached to DSB's banking licence.

A damning report into DSB bank's bankruptcy at the time said the central bank should never have given DSB a banking licence. There were 'so many shortcomings in the leadership and organisation of DSB bank that giving the permit carried too many risks,' the report said.

**HONG KONG:** Apartment buildings and office blocks are seen clustered around the Happy Valley neighbourhood in Hong Kong at sunset on October 27, 2013. Home prices in the crowded city have risen by 120 per cent since 2008, and by more than 30 per cent from their previous peak in 1997, with prices in the luxury market being pushed up by wealthy buyers from mainland China.



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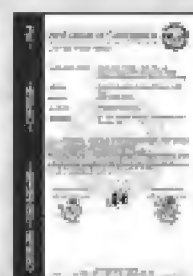
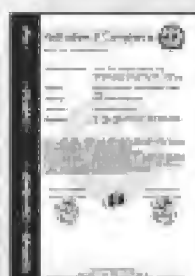
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## US music legend Quincy Jones sues Jacko's estate



LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Music impresario Quincy Jones, credited with producing some of Michael Jackson's biggest hits, has sued the late singer's estate for \$10 million, court documents showed on Saturday.

Jones filed a breach-of-contract lawsuit in connection with projects released after the singer's death, according to a California court filing.

The suit against Sony Music Entertainment and MJJ Productions, a song company controlled by Jackson's estate, was filed Friday in Los Angeles.

It alleges that Jones has not been compensated for the posthumously released "This Is It" Jackson concert film and album, Michael Jackson Cirque du Soleil productions, and a 25th anniversary edition of the late pop icon's "Bad" album.

Court papers said the estate, after Jackson's death in June 2009, "began commercially releasing new audio and audio-visual works without regard to the terms" of agreements worked out earlier with Jones.

The Jackson estate, in a statement issued by one of its attorneys, Howard Weitzman, said it was "saddened to learn that Quincy Jones has filed a lawsuit seeking money" from the King of Pop's remaining holdings.

"To the best of its knowledge, Mr Jones has been appropriately compensated over approximately 35 years for his work with Michael," Weitzman said.

Jones, one of US pop music's most influential behind-the-scenes figures as a composer, arranger, conductor, and record company executive, has worked with legends from Jackson to Frank Sinatra and Barbra Streisand.

He won 27 Grammy Awards during a half century in the music business, and produced Jackson's biggest hits, including "Off the Wall," "Thriller" and "Bad."

## 'Bad Grandpa' tops N. American box office

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Wacky Jackass comedy "Bad Grandpa" elbowed space flick "Gravity" out of the top spot at the North American box office, preliminary weekend data showed Sunday.

The Johnny Knoxville road movie about an 86-year-old granddad and his eight-year-old grandson, netted \$32 million and the top spot on its first days in theaters.

"Gravity" -- with Oscar winners Sandra Bullock and George Clooney as astronauts adrift in space after a devastating accident -- scored \$20.3 million, taking its gross takings to \$199.8 million since its

premiere.

The third place finisher, "Captain Phillips," based on a true story and starring Tom Hanks as a cargo ship captain captured by Somali pirates, earned \$11.3 million.

Another star-studded premiere "The Counselor" with Michael Fassbender, Penelope Cruz, Cameron Diaz, Javier Bardem and Brad Pitt, brought in \$8 million.

In fifth place this weekend was "Cloudy With A Chance of Meatballs 2" which earned \$6.1 million and \$100.6 million total since its release.

And the reprise of "Carrie," the latest film adaptation of the

**Bad Grandpa**



**"Prisoners"**



Stephen King supernatural horror tale about an outcast high school girl out for revenge, earned \$5.9 million, falling to sixth from last week's third place.

Action flick "Escape Plan," starring Sylvester Stallone and Arnold Schwarzenegger as inmates trying to break out of the world's most secret and secure prison trailed with \$4.3 million in seventh-place.

Steve McQueen's "12 years a Slave" earned \$2.2 million between Friday and Sunday, trailed by romantic comedy "Enough Said," featuring the late Sopranos star James Gan-

dolfini, which took \$1.6 million in ninth place.

The thriller "Prisoners," starring Hugh Jackman and Jake Gyllenhaal, rounded out the top 10, earning \$1.1 million.



WASHINGTON (AFP) - Police said they arrested pop music star Chris Brown early Sunday and charged him with felony assault after a violent altercation outside a downtown Washington hotel. Brown (24), along with a male companion, got into an altercation with a third man, and the incident became violent, according to police. Brown is the ex-boyfriend of pop singer Rihanna, with whom he has had a tempestuous on-again, off-again relationship. He was arrested in February 2009 after getting involved in a physical confrontation with Rihanna that left her with a bruised and battered face. He was required, after pleading guilty in court to the assault, to take part in domestic violence counseling and sentenced to five years' probation and community service.



## After 3 decades, Buccaneer is still an island favorite



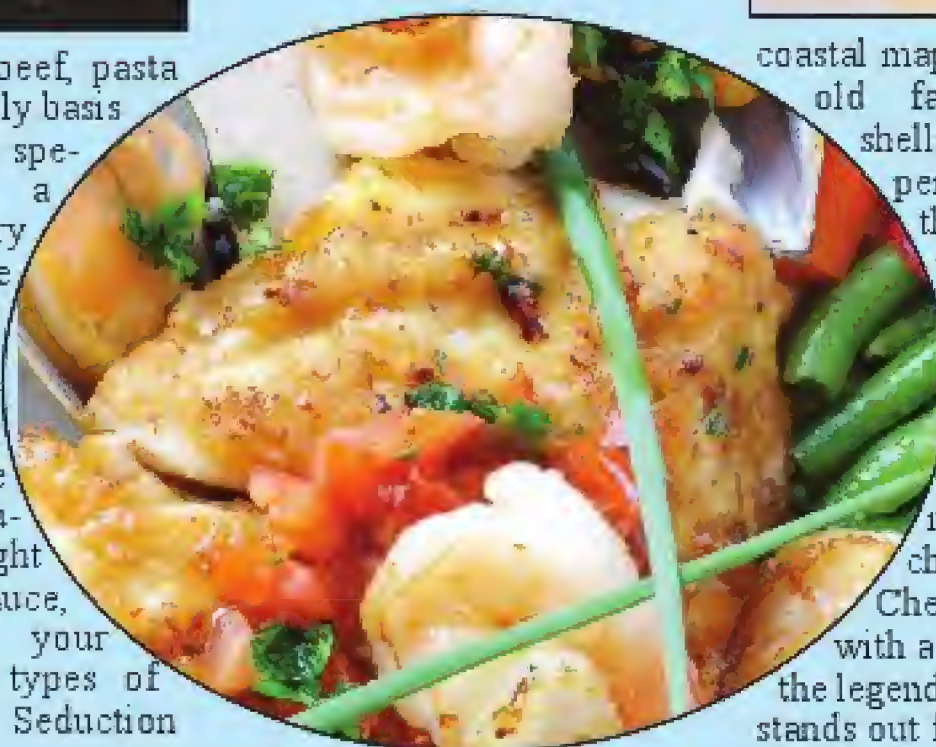
-- The Buccaneer Restaurant is a legendary favorite from day one that the doors opened 35 years ago. The nautical, laid back restaurant located in-between the high and low rise hotels in Aruba. The restaurant is owned and run by Josef Munzenhofer, a local Aruban who kept many of the father's traditional recipes and added new entrees. The menu is a wide and varied menu that is focused mainly on fresh caught local seafood dishes and for the not seafood lover's, poultry,

lamb, angus cut beef, pasta and duck. On a daily basis the chef creates specials including a daily soup. Every food item on the menu is made from scratch every day. Some popular food choices are the "Barracuda Meunière" with a light caper lemon sauce, "Shrimp Trio" your choice of three types of shrimp entrees, "Seduction

of the sea" a medley of grilled seafood favorites served with pasta and vegetables, Ceviche & Escargot are among the best sellers for appetizers and if you love rack of lamb with mint sauce than feast on this.

The restaurant has a welcoming, nautical feel with an extensive 18,000 gallon aquarium wall in the main dining room and smaller aquariums at the cozy booth,

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coastal maps, diving helmet, old fashion compass, shells and the eye stopper bar produced by the owner himself with tables to match, and so much more.

Planning a party or special event than Buccaneer is the right choice for you. Checkout the website with a video included of the legendary restaurant that stands out from all the rest.

The Buccaneer kitchen is open Monday through Saturday 5:30-10:00 pm & Early Bird from 5:30-7:00 pm, closed on Sundays. Buccaneer is known for their reasonable prices and their along with a top-notch team who have kept satisfied guests coming back.

The restaurant location is 11C Gasparito. Making a reservation is easy just call 586-6172 . email - buccaneeraruba@yahoo.

## Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

--Management of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, reports that sales have been very good and encouraging as the global economy recovers and people looking to purchase vacation homes have found that Gold Coast is an outstanding investment value. Director of Sales, Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners in reality do not spend a great amount of time personally to use the villas or town homes they purchase, but are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community where the value of properties has only increased over time. It is only minutes to the best beaches and all the ac-



tion, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway, we are very pleased by the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy operate Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project and the scope of actual and planned facilities and amenities. We have spoken to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who have dreamed of their own home in Aruba contributed to the realization of

Gold Coast Aruba which when complete will be a community of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional community pool areas. The Clubhouse is about to start construction and will offer to the community homeowners and visitors 2 tennis courts, full service spa and fitness center as well as a stunning pool area and is expected to be complete by early 2013. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the on site management's rental services program. There is always a great

demand for Aruba and facilities such as those at Gold Coast, make it easy for some owners to see a valuable return on their investment.

The design of the residences and public areas is open, airy and spacious, taking full advantage of the island environment, with quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options allowing buyers to individualize their homes. An elegant and chic furniture package is available or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property, not the least is the future value of the

investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast management have inaugurated a number of in-house services and have recently become affiliated Interval International, the world's largest network of vacation ownership properties which provides an unlimited international pool of investors to tap for ownership and rental prospects. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination is also available through the Interval International affiliation. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, child care, catering services, car rental through its partnership with AVIS car rental are also available as well as pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can also be arranged through their property management department. Personnel are also available to assist in arranging restaurant reservations and island activities.

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for more details and availability or call 586-2200 to arrange a personal tour.



## SPORTS

## Football: Record-setting Roma restore five-point cushion

MILAN (AFP) - League leaders Roma beat Udinese 1-0 away on Sunday to set a new all-time record of nine consecutive wins at the start of a Serie A season and restore their five-point cushion.

Roma, who have conceded just one goal in their nine wins under French coach Rudi Garcia, were reduced to 10 men in the second half after Brazilian Maicon saw red for a second bookable offence.

However the setback failed to shake the leaders, who virtually sealed the points when American Michael Bradley scored with a precise first-time shot in the 82nd minute.

Udinese were unlucky to see one goalbound shot cleared off the line in the first half and coach Francesco Guidolin said: "Roma are a great side, they showed that when they were reduced to 10 men, but in the first half they rode their luck a little."

Garcia said if there was good fortune, Roma had created it themselves.

"You make your own luck," Garcia told Sky Sport Italia. "Especially when you give everything, week in week out."

Defending champions Juventus had set a record of nine successive wins at the start of the 2005-2006 campaign, although that feat no longer stands after the Turin giants were stripped of that season's crown, as well as the previous year's, due to their role in the 'Calciopoli' match-fixing scandal.

Title challengers Napoli had piled the pressure on Garcia's side before what was always going to be a tough away trip to Udinese by dominating Torino 2-0 at the San Paolo.

And for much of what was a balanced encounter, Roma finally looked as if they would



fail to take all three points for the first time in the league this season.

Both sides saw several chances go amiss but Udinese were denied a near certain opener on 38 minutes when Leandro Castan performed heroics, his overhead kick on the goalline keeping out Gabriel Silva's goalbound effort.

Eight minutes after the restart Maicon's drive from 15 metres sailed just over the Udinese crossbar, but 13 minutes later he marched off after an unnecessary foul on Emmanuel Badu in midfield.

Roma, to their credit, kept their calm and Dutch midfielder Kevin Strootman held up play at the edge of the area before squaring for Bradley to beat Kevala with a coolly-taken first-timer.

Roma now lead Napoli by five points with Juventus remaining in third, also five points adrift, after a 2-0 home win over Genoa.

Arturo Vidal, who had hit the crossbar with an angled drive early in the first half, opened the scoring with a 23rd minute penalty, although Juve midfielder Kwadwo Asamoah appeared to have been fouled outside the box.

Asamoah was pivotal in

Juve's second, his dribbling on the left mesmerising the Genoa defence before Tevez collected his pass, feinted past one defender and beat Mattia Perrin in the visitors' net.

Juve coach Antonio Conte was pleased with his side's performance, especially the emerging pairing of Tevez and Spain international Fernando Llorente: "I liked what I saw from Tevez and Llorente, they are beginning to play well together."

Days after an impressive performance which earned a 1-1 draw at home to Champions League group opponents Barcelona, AC Milan dropped precious points in a 3-2 defeat at Parma.

Parma stunned Massimiliano Allegri's side when Marco Parolo grabbed his second in the fourth minute of injury time to send his side up to seventh in the table.

In Sunday's late match Miroslav Klose scored with a header shortly after the restart and Antonio Candreva added a second from the spot for Lazio two minutes later to seal a 2-0 win at home to Cagliari.

It ended a sorry run of results for Vladimir Petkovic's side, whose fourth win moved them up to seventh albeit 13 points adrift of city rivals Roma.



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## Formula One: 'Vettelheim' parties after hometown hero is crowned again



BERLIN (AFP) - Thousands of people began to party in Formula One great Sebastian Vettel's hometown of Heppenheim after the German was crowned world champion for a fourth successive year following his victory in Sunday's Indian Grand Prix.

Pole-sitter Vettel pitted early to change his soft tyres but then scythed through the field to win 30 seconds ahead of Mercedes's Nico Rosberg, with Lotus driver Roman Grosjean third.

The 26-year-old German becomes the youngest man to win four straight titles, with Juan Manuel Fangio and Michael Schumacher the only other drivers to achieve the feat.

Around 3,500 people had watched the race early on Sunday on a giant screen in the town nicknamed 'Vettelheim' and the champion encouraged them to celebrate as he took to the microphone of RTL after the race.

"People now have a reason to drink," he yelled as he celebrated his 10th win of the campaign.

People had already started well before he gave them his blessing.

"The atmosphere is wonderful," said Alex Moeller, president of the leading Vettel fan club.

Vettel is likely to enjoy a ticker tape parade at Heppenheim, which has a population of 26,000 and is 50 kilometres north of Frankfurt, at the end of the season.

In 2011, the 26-year-old -- winner of 36 Grand Prix since he first raced in 2007 -- arrived in the town's main 'Europe Square' in his everyday car which caused quite a stir as it is nicknamed "Kinky Kylie".

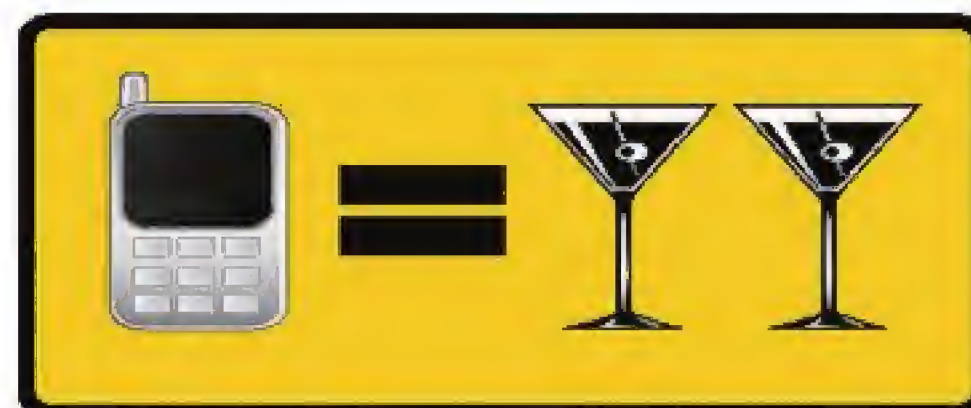
The German celebrated by adding some tyre smoke to the haze hanging over the Buddh International circuit, slowing the car on the pit straight and then spinning it around with some "donuts" for the fans.

But Red Bull were slapped with a 25,000 euros fine over the German's rubber-burning 'doughnuts' after sealing the world title in India.

pic: Vettel performing his rubber-burning 'doughnuts'



ISTANBUL (AFP) Serena Williams successfully defended her WTA Championships title on Sunday, beating Li Na, 2-6, 6-3, 6-0, to finish 2013 with a 78th victory and 11th title of the year. The 32-year-old world number one from the US had admitted to feeling physically exhausted before, during and after a fraught semi-final with Jelena Jankovic on Saturday and at 3-3 in the second set on Sunday, she looked in danger of a surprise defeat. Williams finished the year with prize money of \$12,385,572, shattering the all-time women's record set last year by Victoria Azarenka, who won \$7,923,920. She is the fourth player ever to win four or more titles at the event and the oldest champion. Williams is also the first player to win 11 WTA titles in a season since 1997 when Martina Hingis won 12. She has now also won 32 of her last 34 matches against top five players. Li, the first Chinese player to make the final of the end of season showpiece and about to become the highest-ranked Asian woman at number three in the world.







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## Brazil Taekwondo Foundation has a new Board

ORANJESTAD - Last Thursday evening in a special meeting held at the Centro di Bario Brazil, the Brazil Taekwondo held elections for a new board of directors. This year they decided to lower the number of members in the board and to increase the list of volunteers.

In the presence of a large audience they presented the candidates, many of whom also chose to be volunteers, while others were interested in joining the board.

*This is how the formation of members is for the next period:*

1. President –  
Alberto Klaber
2. Vice President –  
Jervis Lowe



from left to right: Alberto Klaber pres. Jervis Lowe vice pres. Jeritza Arends tes. Danica Delamore secr. Antonio Geerman comm.

3. Secretary –  
Danica Delamore
4. Treasurer –  
Jeritza Arends
5. Commissioner –  
Antonio Geerman

After forming the new board they continued with the agenda which dealt with matters up to December 14, 2013. Training will remain the responsibility of Clifford Rasmiijn.

Clifford has also been approved to participate in the Or-

lando camp training.

This training will be facilitated by twice Olympic medalist Juan Moreno, who is also a US national coach. T

They expect over 350 participants from all over the US who will be participating. They are now placing all emphasis on the 2013

Best of the Best Powerade Taskwondo Cup scheduled to take place on November 2nd. Clifford is working hard on training our athletes for this event.

## MLB best-of-seven World Series

(games five through seven if needed)

### Boston Red Sox vs St. Louis Cardinals

Wed. Oct. 23 - St. Louis at Boston  
Red Sox 8 - Cardinals 1 (Red Sox leads 1-0)  
Thu. Oct. 24 - St. Louis at Boston  
Cardinals 4 - Red Sox 2 (series tied 1-1)  
Sat. Oct. 26 - Boston at St. Louis  
Cardinals 5 - Red Sox 4 (Cardinals tied 2-1)  
Sun. Oct. 27 - Boston at St. Louis  
Mon. Oct. 28 - Boston at St. Louis  
Wed. Oct. 30 - St. Louis at Boston  
Thu. Oct. 31 - St. Louis at Boston



ATLANTIC CITY (AFP) - Bernard Hopkins, already the oldest fighter to win a major world title, retained his International Boxing Federation light heavyweight belt with a unanimous decision over Karo Murat on Saturday. Murat, a German of Armenian descent, was the more active fighter early on, but the 48-year-old Hopkins showed he was willing and able to go toe-to-toe with his 30-year-old foe. Two ringside judges scored the 12-round bout at Atlantic City's Boardwalk Hall 119-108 for Hopkins, while a third saw it 117-110 for the US champion who improved to 54-6-2 with 32 knockouts. Murat fell to 25-2-1, with 15 wins inside the distance. Although he couldn't get the knockout he sought, Hopkins hurt Murat late and his freshness in the closing rounds backed up his claim that his continued success has something otherworldly about it. *Bernard Hopkins throws a right at Karo*



MURAT, ALMATY (AFP) - Kazakhstan further bolstered their reputation as the new powerhouse of amateur boxing by winning four titles in front of their ecstatic home support on Saturday at the World Amateur Boxing Championships. Their four golds, two silvers and two bronzes saw them top historically the most powerful amateur boxing nation Cuba, who ended up with just two gold, two silvers and a bronze, in the first major finals to dispense with headguards which thankfully ended with no serious head injuries. The championships also once again highlighted how poor the United States have become in the amateur arena as they failed to win one medal following a similarly dismal performance at the Olympics last year. Magomedrasul Medzhidov (l) of Azerbaijan and Ivan Dychko (r) of Kazakhstan fight during their super 91 kg final at the AIBA World Boxing Championships

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## MLB: Shocking ending lifts Cards to series lead



Red Sox third baseman Will Middlebrooks tripped up St. Louis baserunner Allen Craig on the game-ending play



Aruban Xander Bogaerts triples past Carlos Beltran, scores 1st run for Red Sox

SAINT LOUIS (AFP) - The St. Louis Cardinals needed a ninth-inning obstruction call to beat Boston 5-4, marking the first ever walk off win in World Series history on the rarely-used call.

Baserunner Craig, who was already playing with a sprained foot, got up and was thrown out at home plate.

The umpires however used a rare obstruction ruling to override the tag at home, and award the run and the victory to the Cardinals who now have a 2-1 series lead.

"There does not have to be intent," said umpire crew chief John Hirschbeck.

It was the 56th walk-off victory in World Series history and undoubtedly one of the most controversial game ending sequences ever.

"We had thrown Craig out at the plate," said Boston manager John Farrell. "But he was awarded home plate after (umpire) Jim Joyce had already called interference."

"That's a tough pill to swallow."

Both third base umpire Jim Joyce and Hirschbeck defended their call when they met with reporters after the game.

"Just get out of the way quickly and not obstruct the runner. It is as simple as that," Hirschbeck said.

Boston catcher Jared Salta-

macchia applied the tag at home plate on Craig after the throw from left fielder Daniel Nava. Joyce ruled Middlebrooks hampered Craig's progress and home plate umpire Dana DeMuth pointed at third to confirm the call.

"I had to do the obstacle course to get home," said Craig, who was carried off the field after the final play and wild celebration at home plate.

"I was going as fast as I could for the first time in a couple of months. It was just sore (ankle) when I tried to get up."

The Red Sox argued the call to no avail. Television replays showed Craig falling over Middlebrooks, who was lying on his stomach.

The Red Sox infielder appeared to lift both his legs in an attempt to block Craig. The umpires also slapped Middlebrooks with an error on the play.

It marked just the fourth ever World Series game to end on an error, and it was the first since the 1986 World Series.

"Baseball is a crazy game, anything can happen," said St. Louis pitcher Trevor Rosenthal.

Cardinals catcher Yadier Molina also couldn't believe the finish.

"I am in shock," Molina said.



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